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OF THE

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BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

HELD WITH

Sardis Church No. 1

Winston Co., Ala.

October 3, 4, and 5

1896

Moderator, THOMAS M. MARTIN, Browns Creek, Ala.
Clerk, D. S. MCCULLARS, Motes, Winston Co., Ala.

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MINUTES.

Of * the * Clear * Creek * Baptist * Association.

The 22nd Annual Session of the Clear Creek Baptist Association met with Sardis Church No 1., Winston county Ala.. on Saturday before the 1st Sabbath in October, 1896. The introductory sermon was preached by Eld J. C. Cooper. Text: Matthew 28th chapter and 19th verse. "Go ye therefore and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Ghost." After which an intermission of one hour was given for refreshments.

The body re-assembled in the church house. Call to order by Moderator. Prayer by B. F. Shank. Then proceeded to call the names of the churches composing the *Association*. The letters from the various churches to the Association were placed on the table. N. H. Estes and B. F. Shank were called as reading clerks, who proceeded to read the letters. Churches and delegates enrolled as follows:

Union Grove.—G. W. Davis, Henry Weaver, A. Lovelady.
Sardis, No. 1—T. M. Martin, E. H. Townsend, J. W. Hyde.
Rock Creek,—J. N. Curtis, D. H. Henderson, W. Taylor.
Macedonia,—L. A. Cummings, T. P. Southerland, J. A. Ward.
Liberty Grove—J. K. P. Taylor, H. K. Oden, J. S. Conway.
Shilo—A. L. Manasco, H. W. Whitman,
New Prospect—J. A. Defore, John Riddle, J. H. Stevens,
Gum Pond—Not represented.
Concord—J. A. King, T. I. Sims, K. C. Crow.
Bethlehem No 2—B. G. Ray, A. Posey, M. Bass.
Mountain Springs—S. D. Pruitt, J. A. Borden, Phillip Borden,
Low Gap—J. J. Butler, J. D. Butler, D. A. Ward,
Bethel, No 2.—G. W. Butler, I. West, W. N. Taylor.
Bethsadia—B. A. Dye, W. F. West, James Tidwell.
Salem—B. F. Shank, Thomas Farris, T. A. Lynn,
Pleasant Hill—C. Ballinger, J. T. Martin, R. L. Manasco.
Houston—J. H. Hicks, T. B. Bivins, W. H. Beasley,
Double Springs.—Not represented.
Nebo.—G. B. Lester, J. W. Hood, N. G. Davidson.
Fairview—Not represented.
Union Hill—D. S. McCullar, Wm. W. Lester, J. S. Smith,

Corinth—J. C. Cooper, S. C. Cooper, G. W. Hilton,
Blooming Grove—N. H. Estes, J. L. Davis, David Best.
Bethel No 1—Thomas Burrell,
Oak Grove,—N. N. McCullar, N. A. McCullar, David Williams.
Mt. Zion—Y. M. Ivey, A. E. Tubbs, J G. Lovelady,
Friendship—H. A. Wright. J. B. Sims, B. L. Hogan,
Enmon Field—D, H. Griggs, Arch Legg. J. L. Huckaby,
Union—W. T. Christian, J. M. Bonds, T. S. Robinson,
Sardis, No 2—Not represented.
Mt. Olive—Not represented.
Bethlehem, No. 1.—W. P. Salter, W. A. McCullar, J. H. Smith.

The Association then proceeded to elect a Moderator and Clerk for the next Associational year, which resulted in the choice of Eld T. M. Martin, Moderator, and D. S. McCullar, Clerk. James Hilton and Joseph Barton acting as tellers.

The moderator then called for petitionary letters from newly constituted churches. Received letters with messengers from

Mt, Pleasant.—P. K. Land, A. W. Lester, W. J. Persall.
Blooming Youth—G. W. Gibson, A. H. Lay, W. N. Nunley,

The Churches and delegates received and the right hand of fellowship extended by the Moderator.

Call for Correspondence from sister Associations---Received from the North River Association, Eld James Hilton, who was invited to seats in council with the body.

Then appointed the following committees:

On Devotional Exercise—John Butler, J. M, Bonds, with the Deacons of Sardis Church.
On Finance.—J. L. Davis, W, W. Lester, W. N. Taylor,
On Nominations—N. N. McCullar, Henry Weaver, D. H. Henderson,
On Credentials—W. W. Lester, W. P. Salter, T. A. Lynn.
On Aged Ministers—J. T. Hicks, T. S. Robinson, Arch Legg.
On Vocal Music—J. L. Davis, J. S. Smith, N. H. Estis,
On Education—G. W. Gibson, G. B. Lester, J, G. Lovelady,
On Documents—B. F. Shank, J. C. Cooper, S. C. Cooper.

Then adjourned until Sabbath morning 9:30 o'clock.

Sabbath morning, met according to adjournment.

Songs of praise and prayer were offered to God by several of the brethren for His protection and mercy. After which preparation was made for preaching. Preaching at 11 o'clock by Elds James Hilton and W. W. Davis, who delivered a timely, logical and pointed sermon to a large and attentive audience.

Adjourned until Monday morning, 9 o'clock.

Monday morning met according to adjournment. Prayer by T. M. Martin. Called for the reports of the several Committees:

Report on Sabbath schools.

We, your committee, beg leave to report as follows: We reccommend that the members of the various churches of the body establish a Sabbath School in every church. We regret that there is not the interest manifested in the work which importance demands. We reccommend the use of our Denominational Literature, publisned at Nashville, Tenn., under the supervision of the Sabbath School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention It is sound in Baptist faith and doctrine, and as cheap as can be had elsewhere. This leads naturally to the suggestion that our people, as a rule, fail to teach the Bible, and in that fail to teach Baptist doctrine to their children as they ought. We are commanded to be able at all times to give a reason for the hope that is in us. How can we do this without being able to prove our faith by the word of God? Can we prove anything without some acquaintance with the evidence? A word to the wise is sufficient. Brethren let us be true to ourselves; true to our children; loyal to our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ and to the Church, studying and teaching the word of Life to our little ones, who pledges to us of His love, who died for us, and in whose word we think we have eternal life. Respectfully submitted,

J. L. Davis, Chairman,

Report on Foreign Missions.

Dear Brethren: We find, by reading the Scriptures, that it is the duty of all God's children to engage and assist in this great and grand work It was the last command of our Saviour, "Go ye, therefore, and teach all nations," We have a large number of missionaries in foreign fields now at work. Blessed are they that do His commandments. The very meaning of the Bible makes it the duty of his people to preach the gospel to the whole world, The spirit of Christianity is Missionary work, A man who claims to be a Baptist and yet opposes missionary operations reads his bible with his eyes shut. Brethren, let us be more liberal and active in this grand work than we have ever been. Respectfully submitted,

N. H. Estes, Chairman,

Report on Home Missions.

Dear Brethren: When we survey the work of the Home Mission Board, what it has already accomplished and the bright prospect in every department of its work, we cannot fail to see how richly the blessings of God rests upon this agency for the dissiminating His truth. The last report of the Board to the Southern Baptist Convention shows most gratifying results. Yet with these figures before us showing how the blessings of God is resting upon this department of Christian efforts our churches have not risen to a full appreciation of the magnitude and importance of the work of the Home Mission Board. The contribution of the Churches are far below what they should be. Our rapidly increasing population—the widening of the territory of the board—the heavy pressure now being brought to bear upon it, appeals loudly to us for immediate relief. Dear Brethren, what are we going to do? Let us examine the 6th chapter of John, 5th verse. "Jesus then lifted up his eyes and saw a great company come unto Him." Here we have a pic-

ture of Home Missions. Here in America the heathens are coming to us whether we want them or are prepared for them or not. Let us remember that the refuse of earth may one day be in heaven. We must feed the multitude as Jesus did with the bread of life. Are we dismayed at the smallness of our resources? and are we saying, what are they among so many? Let us throw off our spiritual paralysis and be faithful to the immigrants who come to our country. The heathen Chinese in California, the Mexican Indians in Texas are as far from Christ as the dwellers in Canton. Yes, as far from Christ but nearer us. My brethren do we take knowledge of the fact? Who can be deaf to the cry for bread when Ireland sent forth a wail that we heal across the Atlantic? What was America's answer when fire invaded Chicago? What was the ready response when the flood swept over Johnstown, who was not willing to heed the call of hunger and misery? The bread that I will give for the life of the world. Oh wonderous gift, his flesh stands beside Calvery! Ye careless, half-hearted believers who say I dont believe in missions, was that Calvarian tragedy enacted to set a few people at ease in Zion. Christ gave his flesh to be to the world bread, see ye to it that the world gets it.

G. W. HILTON,
W. P. SALTER, Committee.

Report on Vocal Music.

We your Committee on Vocal Music, submit the following; There is good interest taken in our bounds so far as we know, yet there is room for improvement, We recommend that the Church urge this great and grand work. We are taught to sing with the spirit and understanding also; we believe it to be a part of the worship of God and it is that part that will never cease, preaching and praying will cease, but singing is Eternal. Respectfully submitted, J. L. Davis, Ch'm Committee.

Report on Credentials.

We, your Committee report the following ordained and licensed Ministers belonging to our body.

Union Grove—W. W. Davis, G. W. Davis, H. L. McCrary.
Corinth—J. C. Cooper, S. C. Cooper.
Liberty Grove— J. K. P. Taylor.
Pleasant Hill—T. S. Kuykendoll, C. Ballinger.
Fairview—D. Carroll.
Macedonia—T, P. Southerland, J. T, Harris.
Bethel, No 2—W. L. Hicks.
Salem—B. F. Shank.
Bethel, No 1—Thomas Burrell.
Nebo— J. W. Hood, (W. G. Towers, Licential.)
Sardis, No 1—T. M. Martin.
Gum Pond—A. L. Anderson, Jesse Borden.
New Prospect— J. W, O'Kelly.
Blooming Youth—G, W. Gibson, A. H, Lay,
Mt. Zion—J, G. Lovelady.
Bethlehem, No 2—J. T, Thomason.

Respectfully submitted,

W. W. Lester,
W, P. Salter,
T, A. Lynn, Committee.

Report on Temperance.

We, your Committee offer the following, There has been so much said and written upon this subject that we dont know what to say or write to produce the greatest effect. There is no use to say anything in regard to the evil of intemperance, but some plan to remedy the evil, we recomend a strict Prohibitionary law and have it removed from our land and country, but we are pursuaded that there can be no greater power brought to bear upon this evil than Christain influence. A united effort on the part of the professed followers of our Lord and Savior would do more to stop this evil than anything else. Church members encourage intemperance by being intemperant themselves Let us look to our influence and see if it is in keeping with our profession. We should be the light of the world. If we sow to the spirit of Christ we shall reap life everlasting, but if we sow to the flesh, we shall reap corruption. If we sow dram drinking, we will reap drunkards. Suppose a church member drink as a beverage and thereby influence some young man to drink. Where will the intemperance stop? Let us take heed to our boys. Respectfully submitted, H. L. McCRARY.

C. BALLINGER. Committee.

Report on Education.

We, your Committee on Education beg leave to submit the following After careful examination we find that the interest of Education is being more and more realized now than ever before in the bounds of our Association; that common schools are being patronized, and that parents are seeking good schools and employing good teachers to teach their children. Brethren, our Churches are demanding better qualified pastors. What shall we do? Shall we go on and not educate some of our young preachers to fill this demand, or will we let other denominations educate men to come in and influence our children with spurious doctrines? Some say, my father was a good preacher and he was not an educated man. This we do not deny, but we are living in a progressive age. Some will say, God will qualify. We are taught in God's word to study to show ourselves a workman approved that needeth not to be ashamed. How many times our fathers in the ministry have in their efforts to preach God's word blushed with shame all because they were uneducated. We demand well educated men for officers, attorneys, physicians, etc. Why should we not demand well educated men for pastors? We recommend that when practicable that several of our churches unite in calling their pastors, and call a well educated man. If this is not thought advisable, that about 4 churches unite and educate some young preacher for their pastor. We further reccommend that there be an Associational board elected or appointed, known as a Mission and Educational Board, and that our Pastors. in connection with said Board take up a collection every three months for missions and ministerial education. Respectfully submitted,

G. W. GIBSON,

J. A. DEFORE, Committee.

Report on Documents.

We, your Committee on Documents, find nothing in the papers submitted to us worthy of your consideration or attention.

B. F. SHANK, Chairman.

Report of the Committee on Aged Ministers.

We find, upon examination, one minister in our bounds who needs help—David Carroll—and we recommend the Moderator to request the pastors of each church in this Association to take up a collection within the next 6 months for the support of Brother Carroll. Respectfully submitted. T, S. ROBINSON, Chairman.

Report of Committee on Finance—

We, your Committee on Finance have received the different amounts as follows:

Minute funds,	$22.05
Asso'nal "	6.70
Home missions,	1.80
Foreign missions,	4.55
Domestic missions.	.55
State missions,	.25
Total,	$ 35.90

Respectfully submitted,

W. W. LESTER,
W. N. TAYLOR,
J. L. DAVIS, Committee.

Report of Committee on Nomination—

Brother T. P. Southerland to preach the introductory sermon at the next meeting of this body, G. W. Davis, alternate. Respectfully submitted, N. N. MCCULLAR, Chairman.

Report of the 1st. District.—

The next meeting of this body is to convene with Concord Church, Winston Co., Ala., Friday before the 1st Sabbath in August 1897. Eld. G. W. Davis to preach the introductory sermon, T. M. Martin, alt. T. P. Southerland to preach on Sabbath at 11 o'clock. Questions to be discussed: 1st. Have we, as Baptists, the right to invite others of a different faith and order into our stands? If not why not? Discussion to be opened by G. W. Davis. 2nd. Why do we as Baptists baptize by immersion only? Discussion opened by W. W. Davis. 3rd. Was the Lord's Supper instituted on the night He was taken and crucified? Discussion opened by H. L. McCrary. T. P. SOUTHERLAND, Moderator.

H. B. SIMS, Dist., Clerk.

Report of the Second District.—

The last meeting of this body was held with Nebo church, Winston county Ala., Friday before the 5th Sabbath in August 1796. Adjourned to meet at the following times and places for the next Associational year: Friendship Church, Friday before the 5th Sabbath in Nov 1896. Eld. W. Daily to preach the introductory sermon, A. H. Lay alternate.

Houston Church, Friday before the 5th Sabbath in January, 1897. J. W. Hood to preach the introductory sermon, D. T. Wilson, alternate. G. W. Gibson to preach on Sabbath at 11 o'clock, J. Lovelady, alt.

Sardis Church, No. 2, Friday before the 5th Sabbath in May 1897. S. C. Cooper to preach the introductory sermon, Thomas Burrell, alt. J. C. Cooper to preach at 11 o'clock on Sabbath, G. W. Gibson, alt.

Corinth Church, Friday before the 5th Sabbath in August 1897. Eld.

W. Daily to preach the introductory sermon, T. D. Wilson, alternate. G. W. Gibson to preach at 11 o'clock on Sabbath, J. W. Hood, alternate. Locate the next Association with the Baptist church at Houston, Ala.

GEO. W. HILTON, Moderator.

D. S. McCULLAR, Dist. Clerk.

The Moderator appointed the following Committees to make report at the next meeting of this body.

On Sabbath Schools.—C. Ballinger, B. F. Shank, and T. A. Lynn.

On Foreign Mission.—G. W. Davis, H. L. McCrary, and J. A. Defore.

On Home Mission—J. C. Cooper, N. A. McCullar, and W. P. Salter.

On Temperance—W. T. Christian, H. A. Wright, and T. S. Robinson.

On State Mission—D. S. McCullars, S. C. Cooper.

On Missions and Ministerial Education.—G. W. Hilton, B. G. Ray, J. W. Barton, N. H. Estes, D. S. McCullars.

Report of the Treasurer for 1895---

Received of Finance Committee:	Minute funds,	$16.40
	Associational funds,	4.40
	Foreign mission funds,	1.50
	Total,	22.30
Paid out for printing minutes,		$16.40
" Clerk for work and postage		4.40
" W. C. Bledso Sec and Treasurer of Foreign Missions,		1.50
Total paid out		$ 22,30

Yours respectfully, D. S. McCULLARS, Treasurer.

Appointed D. S. McCullar, Treasurer for the next year.

Card of Thanks.--

I hereby tender my heartfelt thanks to the Delegates and Churches of this body for the relief tendered me in my distressed condition. The amount paid me in cash is $14.25. May the blessings of God rest upon the entire body. Respectfully submitted, JAMES HILTON.

A motion made by N. H. Estes, and carried, that the clerk have as many minutes printed as the minute fund will pay for and that the mission funds be sent as directed by the churches to the different fields, and that the clerk have the Associational funds for preparing the minutes of the Association for the printer, etc.

RESOLUTION.—This body return our thanks to Eld. James Hilton, of the North River Association, for his wise counsel and instructive sermon on Sabbath at 11 o'clock. —G. W. Gibson.

RESOLUTION.—We, the Clear Creek Baptist Association return our thanks to Sardis Church, No 1, and friends, for their hospitality and kindness shown us during our stay among them. A more Christian and kind people we have never met. —C. Ballinger, and D. S. McCullar.

The body then sung a hymn and took the parting hand to convene with the Baptist Church at Houston, Winston county, Ala., Saturday before the 1st Sabbath in Oct., A. D. 1897.

T. M. MARTIN, Moderator.

D. S. McCULLARS, Clerk.

Rules of Decorum.

1st. The Association shall be opened and closed with prayer;

2nd. But one person shall speak at a time, and he shall arise to his feet and address the Moderator.

3rd. No member shall be interrupted while speaking unless he departs from the question, or uses words of personal reflection.

4th. Every motion made and seconded shall come under the consideration of the Association, except withdrawn by him who made it.

5th, Every case taken up by the Association shall be decided or withdrawn before another is offered.

6th. When any question is taken up by the association, after allowing time for debate the Moderator shall take the question by yeas and nays, or otherwise; and the decision thus made shall be announced by the Moderator immediately.

7th. No person shall depart from the Association without leave of the Moderator.

8th. No person shall speak more than twice upon the same subject without leave obtained.

9th. The appellation of brother shall be used in our address one to another.

10th. The Moderator shall be entitled to the privileges as any other member, provided he appoints some other member to fill his seat while he is talking or otherwise, but shall not vote unless the Association be equally divided.

11th. Any member violating the above rules may be reproved as the Association thinks proper, only on the day the offense shall have occurred.

Order of Business.

I. Introductory sermon.
II. Intermission.
III. Call Association to order.
IV. Call the names of the Churches
V. Read letters and enroll delegate's names.
VI. Election of officers.
VII. Call for petitionary letters.
VIII, Call for Correspondence—Inviting visiting brethren.
IX. Appoint Committee on Devotional Exercise.
X. Appoint Committee on Finance and Nominations.
XI. Read report of Committee on Devotional Exercises.
XII. Appoint the following committees: 1st. On Credentials—2nd. Aged Ministers—3rd. Home Mission,—4th. State Mission:—5th. Foreign Missions,—6th. Temperance.—7th. Sabbath Schools.—8th. Vocal Music.—9th. Education.—10th, Documents.
XIII. Mescellaneous business and Missionary report.
XIV. Read Treasurer's report and appoint Treasurer.
XV. Call for reports of Committees in the order appointed.
XVI. Appoint correspondence.
XVII. Read minutes—Call roll—Adjourn.

Constitution.

We, the Baptist Churches of Jesus Christ are desirous of a reciprocal Union, We therefore propose to maintain the order and rules of the Association, according to the following plan;

We believe that the churches of Christ are mutally independent of each other and that the congregational form of church government should be inviobly preserved, yet being convinced of the utility of friendly intercourse and pious councils on principles of reciprocal advantage and christian love, we hold it to be the duty of Churches to pay respect on these principles to the advice of the Association.

1st. The Association shall be composed of members chosen by the different churches in our Union; who on producing Letters from their respective Churches certifying their appointment, shall be entitled to seats, the letters so produced shall express the condition of their churches,respectfully, viz; The number in fellwoship, the number received by baptism, by restoration, dismissed, excommunicated, and dead since the last Association, which letters shall be read and the Delegates names enrolled,

2nd. The members thus chosen and convened shall be known by the name of the Clear Creek Baptist Association.

3rd. The Association thus formed, shall chose by ballot a Moderator and Clerk who shall serve one year

4th. This Body shall have no coersive power to lord it over God's heritage, or to infringe on any internal privileges or rights of the Churches in our Union, but shall be considered an advisory council.

5th. The body may appoint Ministers to preach in the destitute bounds of the Association and raise means to pay them by subscription or donation, which amount so subscribed or donated, shall be a voluntary matter. She may appoint a committee on Domestic Missions, whose duty it shall be to employ and see to the payment of the Missionaries.

6th To give Churches the best advice she can in matters of difficulty, and if the union should be broken between any of the sistes Cnurches, to enquire into the cause of the breach and use her best efforts to remove the difficulty, but if the breach cannot be repaired to withdraw from any Church or Churches which they may look upon to be unsound in principle or immoral in practice until the same be reclaimed.

7th. To take up no case of any church in the union, without the consent of a majority of the Churches.

8th. Newly constituted or dismissed Churches may be received into our union by their representatives as before stated, and the Moderator shall signify the same by giving the right hand of fellowship.

9th. The Association when convened shall be governed by such rules as she may adopt. She may adjourn from day to day until she shall have finishe. all the business that may be brought before her.

10th, Every church in this body shall be entitled to three delegates, and no more.

11th. To appoint a Treasurer to receive and disburse the funds of the Association, who shall make annual settlements of the amounts received and expended, the surplus on hand, if any, which report shall be published in the minutes.

12th. To have the minutes read, approved and signed before she rises and order them printed, if she thinks necessary.

13th. The Asssociation shall in all cases be governed by a majority of the members.

14th. Voting shall be confined exclusively to the body in all acts respecting internal concerns.

15th. To amend the plan or form of government at any time when a majority of the union shall deem necessary.

Churches.	Pastors.	Clerks.	Post-Office.	Baptised	Rec. by let.	Restored	Dis by letter.	Excluded	Died,	Total,	Minute funds.	A'st'l funds.	For. missions	Home Miss'n	State Miss'n	S. S. enrolmt.	Meet'g days.
Union Grove	T. P. Southerland	Henry Weaver,	Biler,	15	4	3		2	3	82	1 45	20	85				1
Sardis, No. 1,	G. W. Davis,	C. A. League,	Lynn,	11	12		2		2	68	75	25	30				2
Rock Creek	T. P. Southerland	H. S. Curtis,	Double Springs		4		6	5	1	45	75	25					4
Macedonia	G. W. Davis,	J. T. Hackett,	Biler,	5	7	1	8	4		55	1.00	25					3
Liberty Grove,	T. P. Southerland	J. S. Conway.	Haleyville,	12	6					73	75	25					1
Shilo	A. L. Anderson,	A. L. Manasco,	Kinlock,							18	80	15					2
New Prospect,	C. C. Collins,	H. B. Sims,	Haleyville,	3	11		5		1	100	1.30	30					2
Gum Pond	Not represented,																
Concord	B. F. Shank,	K. C. Krow,	Natural Bridge,	5			5			58	1.00	25					1
Bethlehem No 2	J. K. P. Taylor,	S. Posey,	Igoburgh,	9	14	3				91	1.30	55		55			4
Mountain Springs,	J. S. Sherrell,	J. F. Delashaw,	Cole,						1	24	50			20			3
Low Gap	H. L. McCrary,	W. M. Butler,	Haleyville,	5	1		2		2	19	25	25	50				4
Bethel, No. 2	G. W. Davis,	C. W. Butler.	Delmar,	7						26	55						3
Bethsadia	J. T. Thomason,	W. F. West,	Bear Creek,				3			14	25						
Salem,	B. F. Shank,	W. A. Walker,	Lynn,	3	6	2	4			60	1.15	25					
Pleasant Hill,	T. S. Kuykendall,	F. M. Martin.	Brown's Creek,				2			19	60	10					1
Houston	W. Daily,	A. J. Scogins,	Houston,	7	13	4			1	59	1.00	25	10			40	4
Double Springs	Not represented,																
Nebo	S. C. Cooper,	G. B. Lester,	Addison,	4	3		11		2	76	90	20					4
Fairview	Not represented.		Double Springs,														
Union Hill	S. C. Cooper,	D. S. McCullar	Motes,		2					16	50	25	50	50		34	2
Corinth	J. C. Cooper.	G. W. Hilton,	Motes,	3			2			32	75	25	90	50	25	80	2
Blooming Grove,	G. W. Gibson,	N. H. Estes,	Mary Lee,	5	1		2	2		80	1.15	40				56	3
Bethel No 1		J. M. Tingle,	Mellville,	5			12	1	1	72	40	10					2
Oak Grove	J. C. Cooper,	A. J. McCullar,	Motes,		1		5	1		20	40	40					4
Mt. Zion	J. G. Lovelady,	J. H Ivey,	Elk,		3		3			25	30	20					2
Friendship,	J. W. Hood,	L. P. Hulsey.	Upshaw,	1	1		1			16	50	40					1
Sardis, No 2.	Not represented,																
Union	S. C. Cooper,	T. H. Watts,	Houston,								1.00	25	2.00	50			
Enmon Field	J. W. Hood,	J. T. Hearn,	Taven,	6	8		5		1	35	1.00	20					1
Mt. Olive	Not represented,																
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